

In the Claims:

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121, please substitute for original claims 1 and 24, the following rewritten versions of the same claims, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Marked Up Version Showing Changes Made."

Please cancel claim 14, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the following claims.

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1. (Four Times Amended) An edible shaped body in the form of a flat or tubular fiber containing film wherein the thickness or wall thickness of the edible shaped body is from 20 to 60 μm , wherein the edible shaped body does not contain collagen wherein the edible shaped body is based on biopolymers or cleavage products or derivatives thereof and/or synthetic polymers of natural monomers and wherein the edible shaped body is produced by a process having the following stages:

a) mixing the biopolymers, cleavage products or derivatives thereof and/or the synthetic polymers with at least one edible plasticizer, at least one lubricant and at least one crosslinker and fibers,

b) melting the resultant mixture to give a thermoplastic mass,

c) extruding this mass and

d) calendering and/or stretching or blowing the product obtained from the extrusion to give the edible shaped body.

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24. (Amended) The shaped body as claimed in claim 1, wherein the thickness or wall thickness of the edible shaped body is from 30 to 60 μm .

Please add the following new claims:

26. (New) An edible shaped body according to claim 1, comprising a sausage casing.

27. (New) An edible shaped body according to claim 1, comprising a seamless sausage casing.